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In the Claims:

The claims remaining in the application are set forth below in a complete listing. There are no claim amendments made at this time.

1-41.(cancelled)

42.(currently amended) A method of forming an optical compact disc, the method comprising:

molding a compact disc having a pattern of digital data encoded on a surface having a major elevational portion bounded by first and second pairs of spaced-apart outer side peripheries defining outer boundaries of at least portions of the disc, each of the first pair of spaced-apart outer side peripheries arcuately extending between each of the second pair of spaced-apart outer side peripheries extending substantially linearly between each of the first pair of spaced-apart outer side peripheries.

43.(original) A method as defined in Claim 42, further comprising positioning an opening in a medial portion of the compact disc, wherein each of the arcuately-extending first pair of spaced-apart outer side peripheries of the portion of the disc are centered about an axis extending through the medial opening and substantially perpendicular to the linearly-extending second pair of spaced-apart outer side peripheries, and wherein a radius extending from a medial portion of the medial opening to each of the arcuately-extending first pair of spaced-apart outer side peripheries of the major elevational portion is less than 1.6 inches.